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ABSTRACT

B<sup>5</sup> --Disclosed is a transdermal system containing an active ingredient and used for the administration of one or more of candersartan and its pharmaceutically compatible esters and salts.--.

REMARKS

This preliminary amendment is presented to place the application in better form for allowance. No new matter has been added. Early examination and favorable consideration of the above-identified application is earnestly solicited.

Any additional fees or charges required at this time in connection with the application may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

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**Version With Markings to Show Changes**

**In the Claims:**

16. (Amended) A transdermal therapeutic system with a content of a first active ingredient, said first active ingredient comprising at least one of [selected from] candesartan [or] and one of its pharmaceutically suitable esters or salts.

26. (Amended) The transdermal therapeutic system of claim 23 wherein the system is a matrix system comprising:

an impermeable covering layer;

at least one active ingredient-containing contact adhesive matrix layer or at least one ingredient-containing matrix layer coated with a contact adhesive;

a detachable protective layer; and

an active ingredient comprising at least one of [selected from] candesartan [or] and one of its pharmaceutically acceptable esters or salts.

28. (Amended) The transdermal therapeutic system of claim 23 wherein the membrane system comprises:

an impermeable covering layer;

an active ingredient-containing reservoir or an active ingredient-containing reservoir layer;

a microporous or semipermeable membrane;

an optional contact adhesive layer; and

an active ingredient [selected from] comprising at least one of candesartan [or]  
and one of its pharmaceutically acceptable esters or salts.